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MARYLAND GAZETTE.

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From the LONDON EVENING POST, Sept. 16.

To the PRINTER.

Manchester, September 8, 1775.

SIR,

AS a native of, and a well-wisher to Manchester, I feel some concern, that the town should be represented as inimical to the Americans, by means of an address this day sent up to the king. Be assured, Sir, that this address does not give the true sense of the town in general, and that it may properly enough be said to have been smuggled on it. Only a day's notice was given in one of our news-papers, on Tuesday last. The advertisement was artfully penned; and the several country gentlemen, of tory character, had been apprised of the meeting some time before. They therefore arrived on Wednesday, to assist their friends in deceiving government, and injuring the whole community. You may depend upon it, that the address is signed by very few, excepting high-churchmen, and men of Jacobite principles. I believe one person who has signed it was in the last rebellion; but what is more discreditable than even these circumstances, it contains at least *one notorious falsehood*, in asserting the flourishing state of trade.

You may take my word for it, trade is in a very languishing condition, and that the ensuing winter presents a most dismal prospect. A great part of our weavers are likely to be without work, and many thousands connected with them unemployed. It is probable also that provisions will be dear. Add to these, that other manufacturing towns will be as much injured as ourselves; and further, that one half of the sailors, those honest brave fellows, throughout the kingdom, will be deprived of the means of supporting themselves and families, owing to the number of ships laid up. Whoever considers such a situation of things, must be alarmed with the apprehension of consequences. But as my assertions of the badness of trade will have most weight when supported by proofs, I shall set down a few facts; facts are stubborn things, and not to be whistled away.

Mr. T. T. and Mr. C. F. are well known to be two of our most considerable manufacturers. Now, I affirm that the first of these gentlemen has at present only one warper, and the latter no more than two. These particulars, Sir, are clear proofs of a reduced trade, as I doubt not they have often employed half a dozen warpers each for himself. I also affirm, that their warehouses contain each an immense stock of goods, which they know not how to dispose of. I write from knowledge. How these men came to sign the address is surprising indeed!

Sir Thomas Egerton, one of our county members, is, in my opinion, a worthy man; and respect him, though he knows little of me. How he came engaged in this dirty business I will not say; I would rather throw over him the veil of charity. It was indeed observed that he was very much agitated. He was so much fluttered, that every one present at the meeting was sorry for him; and his appearance was that of a man conscious of being ill employed. I believe something in the form of a protest will be set about by the friends of liberty and commerce.

I am, Sir, your's, &c.

PROVIDENCE, *Nov.* 11.

Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, *&c.*

In GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

An ACT *for the punishment of persons who shall be found guilty of holding a traiterous correspondence with the ministry of Great-Britain, or any of their officers or agents, or of supplying the ministerial army or navy that now is, or may be employed in America, against the United Colonies, with provisions, cannon, arms, ammunition, or warlike or naval stores, or of acting as pilots on board any of their ships or vessels.*

WHEREAS the ministry of Great Britain have, for several years past, steadily pursued a plan for subjecting the inhabitants of the British colonies in America to an absolute and unconstitutional state of slavery, and have proceeded at length to the burning of our towns, and spreading desolation and slaughter, as far as it hath been in their power, through the country, in a manner totally inconsistent with the practice of civilized nations, and unworthy of the reputation formerly sustained by British troops. And whereas the aforesaid colonies have been reduced to the fatal necessity of taking up arms in defence of those inestimable rights and liberties which they derive from the unerring laws of nature, and the fundamental principles of the British constitution, and which they cannot relign but with their lives. Whereas several of the inhabitants of the said colonies, lost to every generous sentiment of liberty,---of love to their country and posterity, have kept up a traiterous correspondence with and supplied the ministerial troops and navy, and some of them have acted as pilots on board their ships and vessels, whereby the safety and liberty of the said colonies may be greatly endangered:

Be it therefore enacted by this general assembly, and by the authority thereof it is enacted, That if any of the inhabitants of the said colonies within this colony, or any of the inhabitants of this colony within any other colony, shall be found guilty of holding a traiterous correspondence with the ministry of Great Britain, or any of their officers or agents, or of supplying the ministerial army or navy that now is or may be employed in America against the United Colonies, with provisions, cannon, arms, ammunition, or warlike or naval stores, or of acting as pilots on board any of their ships or vessels, he or they so offending shall suffer the pains of death, as in cases of felony, and shall forfeit his lands, goods, and chattels, to the colony, to be disposed of by the general assembly as they shall think fit, all necessary charges of prosecution, condemnation, and execution, being first deducted. And that all offences against this act shall be cognizable before the superior court of judicature, court of assize and general gaol delivery of this colony. The negociation and treaty of the town council with capt. Wallace, respecting the supplying the ships of war stationed in the harbour of Newport, and the regulation thereof by the commanding officer, allowed of by this general assembly at this present session to be excepted out of this act.

And be it further enacted by this general assembly, That this act be in force in ten days after the rising of this assembly, and that the same be published in the Providence Gazette, and Newport Mercury.

Nov. 6, *A true copy.*

Witness, HENRY WARD, secretary.

The house have granted 1200 lawful money, for the support or removal of the poor of Newport.

Thursday last in the afternoon, an engagement happened in the bay, between two privateer sloops from this place, and a schooner, a bomb-ketch, and three tenders from Newport; the engagement lasted til night, when the enemy's vessels sheered off, and were chased several miles by our cruisers. Two tenders got back to Newport the same night, one of them much damaged in her sails and rigging. Our vessels received little or no injury.

NEWPORT, *Nov.* 20.

By several gentlemen arrived in town, since the post we are informed that the privateers in the Massachusetts Bay have taken a transport from England, with 200 troops on board; and were in pursuit of another, with a large sum of money, for the payment of the ministerial troops in Boston.

The bomb-brig, and an armed schooner, on this station, were cruising up the bay several days last week, and on Friday a number of men from the schooner landed on Prudence, and took out of the house of Mr. John Shelden a great many articles of wearing apparel and houshold furniture, to the amount, 'tis supposed, of several hundred dollars; the particulars of which we have not time nor room to insert this day.

NEW-YORK, *Nov.* 27.

By a letter received on the 20th inst. it appeared, that Capt. Harris, belonging to Poughkeepsie, had actually inlisted a number of recruits for the ministerial army, and that he was then at Nassau-ferry, on Long-island; upon which Col. M'Dougall, on the same night, with a number of friends to their country, went over in order to take him. They searched a number of houses, but to no purpose, till they came to Degrushee's ferry, where they found him in an upper room in a posture to defend himself, which appeared by two pistols lying on his bed, close by his side, loaded and primed, which however, as they came upon him unexpectedly, he had no opportunity to use. They took with him two of his men, and brought them all safe to New-York.

The above Capt. Harris made his escape from the guard who had the charge of him, last Thursday night, and has not since been heard of.

The Watertown paper of the 13th inst. contains an act of the legislature of Massachusetts-bay, entitled, "an act for encouraging the fitting out of armed vessels, to defend the sea-coast of America, and for erecting a court to try and condemn all vessels that shall be found infesting the same. Also an act for paying the minute-men, volunteers, &c. who were present at the battle of Lexington, according to their rank, the distance they came, &c.

We are assured that Major Skeene the younger, who was released from close confinement on his parole of honour lately made his escape from Connecticut, and got to Croton's river, whence, for half a joe, he procured a fellow to put him on board the Asia man of war, where he arrived last Monday, and still remains. As Roman Catholi principles have lately become fashionable with the British ministry, perhaps this gentleman may think that no faith is to be kept with hereticks, as the ministry deem those to be in politics, who assert their rights and freedom, and are ready to risk their lives, in defence of the English constitution, and those principles on which the king holds his crown, and the English laws and government were established.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Glasgow to his son in this city, dated August 22.

"The Old Highland Watch, who were stationed in Ireland, upon being ordered to Boston, they all refused going to a man, and declared they would not go and fight against their brethren, who last war fought and conquered by their side."

Extract of a letter from St. John's camp, north side of St. John's, Nov. 4, 1774.

"Since my last letter Gen. Carleton has been defeated near Longueil, (a place almost opposite Montreal) by Col. Warner; our men were 300 in number, and the enemy consisted of 800 men, commanded by Carleton himself. Col. Warner had a four pounder, which did not a little contribute to his victory, by pouring grape-shot in the enemy's boats, who were suffered to come very near the shore, before they fired at them. The boat Carleton was in sunk, but he escaped with a ducking; they landed but a few, some of which were taken prisoners. Another paragraph in the same letter says, on Friday morning we marched into the fort, but upon our entrance, what havock had our shot made with their houses! a very elegant large stone house, full of holes, great breaches in it, and the chimnies all to pieces; their brick-houses were rather worse, where they were obliged to bury themselves under ground to save themselves from our shot."

We hear that the ships that arrived lately at Boston from England, has brought over no more than a small train of artillery, a few matrosses, and four companies of the 17th regiment of foot.

About 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon capt. Henry Livingston arrived here from Montreal, and informs us of the surrender of that city to gen. Montgomery on Monday the 13th inst. on condition that the inhabitants have the full enjoyment of their religion as usual, and their property secured from plunder.

We also learn that Gov. Carleton was gone off for Quebec, with several vessels and a large quantity of gunpowder, &c. but that it was expected the whole would fall into the hands of Col. Arnold, who, we hear, was arrived before Quebec, and no doubt would very soon reduce that place.

Every necessary requisite for supplying the army under Gen. Montgomery, was found in Montreal, and on the most moderate terms, and where they will find very comfortable winter-quarters, after an amazingly fatiguing campaign.

PHILADELPHIA, *Dec.* 2.

By an express which arrived on Wednesday, we have received the articles of capitulation made and entered into by Richard Montgomery, Esq; brigadier general of the continental army, and the citizens and inhabitants of Montreal, represented by the subscribers, John Porteous, Pierre Panet, John Blake, Jerre Mezieres, James Finlay, Saint George Dupree, James M'Gill, Louis Carrignant, Richard Huntly, François Mathiot, Edward William Grey and Pierre Guy, duly elected for that purpose.

Article I. That the citizens and inhabitants of Montreal, as well individuals as religious orders and communities without any exception, shall be maintained in the free possession and enjoyment of their rights, goods and effects, moveable and immoveable, of what nature soever they may be.

Art. II. That the inhabitants French and English shall be maintained in the free exercise of their religion.

Art. III. That trade in general, as well within the province as in the upper countries and parts beyond the seas, shall be carried on freely as heretofore, and passports shall be granted for that purpose.

Art. IV. That passports shall also be granted to those who may want them, for the different parts of this province, or elsewhere, on their lawful affairs.

Art. V. That the citizens and inhabitants of the town and suburbs of Montreal shall not be compelled, on any pretence whatsoever, to take up arms against the mother country, nor to contribute, in any manner towards carrying on war against her.

Art. VI. That the citizens and inhabitants of the town and suburbs, or any other part of the country, who have taken up arms for the defence of this province, and are taken prisoners, shall be set at liberty.

Art. VII. That courts of justice shall be established for the determination of property, and that the judges of the said courts shall be elected by the people.

Art. VIII. That the inhabitants of the town shall not be subjected to lodge troops.

Art. IX. That no inhabitants of the country, or savages, shall be permitted to enter the town until the commandant shall have taken possession and provided for the security thereof.

Montreal, November 22, 1775.

John Porteous, R. Huntly, John Blake, Edward Wm. Gray, James Finlay, James M'Gill, P. Panet, Mathiot, Carrignant, Meziere, St. George Dupree, Guy.

I do hereby certify that the above articles were presented to me, to which I have given the following answer:

The city of Montreal, having neither ammunition, artillery, troops nor provisions, and having it not in their power to fulfil one article of the treaty, can claim no title to a capitulation.

The continental army have a generous disdain of every act of oppression and violence; they are come for the express purpose of giving liberty and security. The general, therefore, engages his honour to maintain, in the peaceable enjoyment of their property of every kind, the individuals and religious communities of the city of Montreal.

The inhabitants, whether English, French, or others, shall be maintained in the free exercise of their religion.

The present unhappy contention between Great-Britain and her colonies puts it out of his power to engage for freedom of trade to the mother country, nor can he make a general promise of passports; as far as it may consist with the safety of the troops and the public good, he shall be happy to promote commerce, and for that purpose promises to grant passports for the upper countries when required.

The general hopes to see such a provincial virtuous convention assembled as will enter with zeal into every measure that can contribute to set the civil and religious rights of this and her sister colonies on a permanent foundation. He promises for himself that he will not compel the inhabitants of the town to take up arms against the mother country, or contribute towards the expences of the present war.

The continental army came into this province for its protection, they therefore cannot conſider their oppoſers as taking up arms for its defence.

It is not in the general's power to engage for the return of priſoners. Motives of humanity will induce him to uſe his intereſt for their return to their families, provided it can be done without endangering the public ſafety.

Speedy meaſures ſhall be taken for the eſtabliſhing courts of juſtice upon the moſt liberal plan, conformable to the Britiſh conſtitution.

The inhabitants ſhall not be burthened with troops but when neceſſity requires it, of which neceſſity the general muſt be judge.

The inhabitants of the country, and ſavages, ſhall not enter the town till the guards are poſted.

To-morrow morning, at nine o'clock, the continental troops ſhall take poſſeſſion of the Recollect gate; the proper officers muſt attend with the keys of all public ſtores upon the quarter maſter general, at nine o'clock at the Recollect gate.

This engagement is underſtood, and declared to be binding on any future commanding officer of the continental troops that may ſucceed me in this diſtrict.

Montreal, Nov. 13, 1775. RICHARD MONTGOMERY,
Brigadier general of the continental army.

It is ſaid General Montgomery, on the 11th inſt. croſſed from Le Prairie to St. Paul's iſland, and the next day he landed upon the iſland of Montreal, at a place about a mile from the city, upon which the inhabitants, the miniſterial troops having abandoned it with Gov. Carleton, ſent out a flag of truce. The general required them to ſurrender within four hours, which not being complied with, he marched into the ſuburbs, when they were kindly entertained by the people; and upon the above articles of capitulation being agreed to in the evening, the following morning, after the guards were relieved, the army took poſſeſſion of the city. That there being great plenty of woollens to be purchaſed at a reaſonable rate, the general intended to give the ſoldiers new cloaths, they having ſuffered much by the ſeverity of the climate, which they ſubmitted to with a patience and reſolution worthy their cauſe, particularly in their march from St. John's to Montreal, the road being half leg deep in mire. That a party was ſtationed at Point Sorrel, and another at Chien, in hopes of intercepting Carleton and his adherents. That the ſchooner and galley which were ſunk before St. John's, have been raiſed by Capt. Cheeſeman, with a party of 300 men; and neither of them have received much damage, the ſchooner had her ſtern poſt knocked off, nine ſhot through her hull, and three in her maſt, and the galley about five in her hull. We are alſo informed that the Canadians are well affected to the cauſe of liberty.

Extract of a letter from New-York, dated Nov. 19.

"There is a letter in town (I cannot tell the date) from one of our captains in London, who ſays he hopes to return in a few months, and bring the olive branch, as matters will be accommodated ſoon. This I had from a perſon who ſaw the letter. Arnold is arrived at Point Levy."

Extract of a letter from Albany, dated Nov. 23.

"We have perſons of credit come to town, who, in their way from Detroit met Col. Butler and ſome others in their way from Montreal and Niagara at Oſwego; he aſked them whether it would be ſafe for them to return to Tryon county; he (Butler) informed them, that Gov. Carleton had told him, that he had received a letter from home, and there were two noblemen coming over to treat with the congreſs; that he expected matters would be ſettled before ſpring, and while the negociation was on foot the troops would be removed from Boſton to other parts, as it was ſuppoſed their ſtay there during the winter, would be pernicious to their healths."

Extract of a letter from George-town, (Maryland) Nov. 26, 1775.

"Agreeable to what I wrote you by ——, I ſet out on Tueſday morning laſt for Frederick town, and within 8 or 10 miles of that place, had the pleaſure to hear that Major Connolly, with three companions, were taken about five mile above Hagar's town, on their way to Fort Pitt; Connolly has been this ſummer at Boſton, where he preſented a plan of operation for the next ſpring to Gen. Gage, which met the General's approbation, and he was now on his way to put it in execution. He is made lieutenant colonel commandant, was to proceed to Fort de Droit, where capt. Lord, who is now at the Illinois with two companies of the Royal Iriſh, was to meet him with the field-pieces and ſtores that are there. Connolly was to raiſe a regiment, as many Indians and partizans as he could; to enable him to do this he had a power to engage every perſon that entered into the ſervice 500 acres of land when the troubles were over, and whatever other pecuniary rewards he may think proper, was to appoint and commiſſion all the officers under him, which commiſſions were to be confirmed by Dunmore.

"With this force he was to deſtroy Fort Pitt and Fort Fincaſtle, if the Americans ſhould make any reſiſtance, and meet Dunmore by the 20th of April next at Alexandria, where he, Dunmore, was to land an army under the cannon of the ſhips of war. Connolly's companions were one Cameron, who is now a lieutenant with promiſe of promotion, one Dr. Smith who ſays he was to be ſurgeon of Connolly's regiment; the other was Connolly's ſervant.

"They are to be brought into Frederick's town on Wedneſday morning, and on Thurſday examined before the committee: On ſearching their portmanteaus a copy of Connolly's plan was found: Thus you ſee a part of the diabolical ſcheme is defeated, but make no doubt Dunmore will land an army at Alexandria in the ſpring; but as their ſcheme has thus providentially come to light, hope ſuch preparations will be made, as will enable us to give him the reception he merits."

IN CONGRESS, *Oct.* 18, 1775.

Reſolved, that a juſt and well authenticated account of the hoſtilities committed by the miniſterial troops and navy in America, ſince laſt March, be collected, with proper evidence of the truth of the fact related, the number and value of the buildings deſtroyed by them; alſo the number and value of the veſſels inward and outward bound, which have been ſeized by them ſince that period, as near as the number and value can be aſcertained; alſo the ſtock taken by them from different parts of the continent. That Mr. Deane, Mr. J. Adams, and Mr. Wythe be a committee for that purpoſe.

CHARLES THOMSON, Sec.

N. B. The above committee requeſt the printers of the ſeveral public papers in the united colonies to inſert the above for three or four weeks ſucceſſively, and all perſons poſſeſſed of any facts relative to, or that may throw light on the above ſubject, to tranſmit the ſame to them as early as poſſible.

ANNAPOLIS, *December* 7.

The general aſſembly of this province, which ſtood prorogued to Tueſday the 5th inſt (although through miſtake inſerted, in No 1575 of this Gazette, to be prorogued to the 12th) was, on Monday laſt, by the advice of the lord proprietary's council of ſtate, further prorogued to Monday the 11th inſtant.

TO THE PRINTER,

SIR, *Somerſet county, November* 27, 1775.

I HAVE had the mortification to hear more than once, within a few weeks paſt, that I am repreſented to the public as an enemy to American liberty, and the chief promoter of thoſe unhappy political diſſenſions which lately prevailed in this and Worceſter county; but have not been able to diſcover where thoſe reports, falſe and malicious as they are, originated.

I am therefore reduced to this method of calling upon my accuſers, whoever they are, to ſtand forth, or to lodge an information againſt me with the provincial convention, or council of ſafety, where they ſhall find me always ready, upon the ſhorteſt notice, to attend them. Mean time, as I have the greateſt reaſon to believe that no ſuch public accuſation will ever be exhibited; and that I ſhall not be indulged with ſo favourable an opportunity of vindicating my conduct to my countrymen, with whom I profeſs intirely to coincide in my political creed; I hope the honeſt indignation I feel at being moſt inſidiouſly attacked by private enemies, as well as my ardent deſire to retrieve the good opinion of the public, will exceuſe my inſerting the following depoſitions. JOHN SCOTT.

The depoſition of LEVIN CAREY, being of full age, taken before me this day; who, being ſworn on the holy Evangeliſts of Almighty God,

SAYETH, That on a certain Saturday, about three months ago, this deponent applied to the Rev. Mr. John Scott for his opinion, how he approved of Stephen Horſey's intention to raiſe a company, by virtue of a commiſſion to be obtained from the governor, and to have nothing to do with thoſe who were muſtering agreeable to the reſolves of the continental congreſs. That the ſaid Mr. Scott ſaid he apprehended the governor would grant no ſuch commiſſion, and that he would adviſe him to decline ſuch an undertaking; and in conſequence of Mr. Scott's advice he, this deponent, and many others, on hearing Mr. Scott's ſentiments, changed their reſolution, and never after muſtered upon the plan propoſed by Stephen Horſey. And this deponent further ſayeth, That the Rev. Mr. Scott requeſted he would make him acquainted with the time of their next meeting, for that he would attend ſuch meeting, and endeavour to convince them that they were doing wrong. And the reaſon why he did not give Mr. Scott the information required was, becauſe he, this deponent, at the inſtigation of the ſaid Mr. Scott, had left the company, and never joined them after.---And this deponent further ſayeth, That, during his converſation with the ſaid Mr. Scott, Iſaac Atkinſon came up, joined in the diſcourſe, and ſaid the major part of the people down his way were of the ſame opinion with Stephen Horſey; that he underſtood people in general were ſo, and particularly the people of Dorſet: On which the ſaid Mr. Scott adviſed him to deſiſt from ſuch ſchemes, and join in the common cauſe, and not ſet up his judgment againſt thoſe of ſuperior knowledge; that he, the ſaid Mr. Scott, adviſed him to attend the meeting for chuſing a committee, on which the ſaid Atkinſon ſaid he wanted no committee, nor did the people in his neighbourhood, for they apprehended it was a preſbyterian ſcheme; that he, this deponent, ſays, that, during the whole converſation, the ſaid Mr. Scott diſapproved of their ſchemes, and adviſed the ſaid Atkinſon and the deponent to unite with the continent in ſupport of the common cauſe of their country. And further this deponent ſaith not.---Taken before me, the ſubſcriber, this 23th day of November, 1775.

Signed,

Vera Copia. JOHN ADAMS.

WHEREAS a report has been moſt falſly and maliciouſly propagated, That the Rev. John Scott adviſed Joſhua Hitch to join in a company ſaid to be raiſing in oppoſition to the reſolves of the provincial convention by Matthew Cannon, and further, that the ſaid Mr. Scot diſſuaded the ſaid Joſhua Hitch from ſigning the aſſociation. In order to falſify theſe baſe aſſertions, came before me this the ſaid Joſhua Hitch, and made oath on the holy Evangeliſts of Almighty God, that the ſaid report is ſpurious and falſe, and that the ſaid Mr. Scott ſtood never juſtly impeachable with ſaid ſlander, having never been conſulted by the ſaid Hitch on the occaſion: And further ſays, that he, the ſaid Hitch, conſulted Guſtavus Scott, Eſq; on the ſubject of aſſociation, and he ſtrongly recommended to him to ſign it.

Sworn before me, the ſubſcriber, this 23th day of November, 1775.

Signed,

A true copy. JOHN ADAMS.

ON the ſaid 23th day of November came Iſaiah Banks before me, and depoſed on the holy Evangeliſts of Almighty God, That on Sunday, coming from Green-Hill church, he heard the Rev. John Scott, and Matthew Cannon diſcourſing on the ſubject of the ſaid Cannon's raiſing a company; to which he, the ſaid Banks, paid particular attention; that he heard the ſaid Mr. Scott tell Cannon he apprehended the ſteps Cannon then purſued threatened the loſs of his land; on which the ſaid Banks ſaid, he thought it was the way to ſave his land; on which the ſaid Scott ſaid, innocent as he, the ſaid Scott, found himſelf of any hand in their proceedings, as they were churchmen, he feared he might be in future cenſured for their conduct; that the ſaid Cannon replied, there would be no danger of cenſure, as he never was made acquainted, nor in any ſhape conſulted about their deſigns.

Sworn before me

A true copy. Signed, JOHN ADAMS.

ON the ſame 25th day of November came James Geoghegan, and made oath, on the holy Evangeliſts of Almighty God, That, at divers times, he converſed with the ſaid Mr. Scott on the ſubject of politics, and particularly the aſſociation; and, from an intimacy with the ſaid Mr. Scott, he expected his candid ſentiments on the ſubject; that he always found the ſaid Mr. Scott exceedingly tenacious of American freedom, and ſaid that nothing ſhould hinder him from ſigning the aſſociation, but an opinion of his being comprehended amongſt the governor's houſhold *, and finding that his poſtponing to ſign the aſſociation was a check upon others, that he, notwithſtanding his opinion of being of the governor's houſhold, as an encouragement of thoſe of divided opinions to unite in the common cauſe, ſigned it himſelf within a very ſhort time after it was introduced by the committee, and verily believes that he has been as inſtrumental as any man in the county in procuring ſignatures to the aſſociation.

Taken before

A true copy. JOHN ADAMS.

ON the ſaid 25th of November came George Wails, and depoſed, That, ſome time in September, riding in company with the Rev. Mr. Scott, from a ſermon preached by the ſaid Mr. Scott, he, the ſaid Wails, aſked the ſaid Mr. Scott if he had heard that Matthew Cannon was raiſing a company in oppoſition to the continental congreſs, that he anſwered in the negative; that, for his part, he believed it was falſe, and hoped Cannon had more ſenſe than to undertake ſuch an unjuſtifiable matter. That the ſaid Wails ſaid he alſo believed it was falſe, and requeſted that Mr. Scott would ſay no more about it.

Taken before me,

A true copy. JOHN ADAMS.

THE depoſition of James Bounds (of full age) being ſworn on the holy Evangeliſts of Almighty God, depoſeth and ſaith, That after the riſing of the late convention, in which the aſſociation of the freemen of Maryland was formed, he did not approve of the ſaid aſſociation and reſolves, and that for ſome time after he did not ſign the aſſociation, or form of enrollment, as directed by the convention of Maryland; But, upon application to the Rev. Mr. John Scott, for his advice relative to the aſſociation and reſolves, he, the ſaid Mr. Scott, adviſed this deponent to comply with the meaſures adopted by the ſaid convention. In conſequence of which advice he, this deponent, broke off from a company which he was then exerciſing in, and ſigned the aſſociation and form of enrollment, agreeable to the direction of the ſaid convention of Maryland. And this deponent further ſaith, that he never heard the ſaid Mr. Scott adviſe any perſon to act or do any thing in oppoſition to the meaſures of the honourable continental congreſs, or provincial convention; but that, in the converſation between this deponent and the ſaid Mr. Scott, he, the ſaid Mr. Scott, always appeared friendly to America in her preſent oppoſition.

Taken before

GEORGE DASHIELL

* *Mr. Scott came into this province under the protection of governor Eden, and has an appointment as his excellency's chaplain.*

At the time the above depoſitions were taken, Cannon was out of the province, which prevented his depoſition from being taken and likewiſe inſerted.

BY THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY OF MARYLAND, October 21, 1775.

THE COMMITTEES OF OBSERVATION are requeſted to compleat their returns of the minute and militia officers, and the companies of militia formed in battalions, agreeable to the reſolves of the late convention, as ſoon as may be, that the proper commiſſions may iſſue.

By order,
ELEAZER M'COMB, Clerk.

THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY deſirous of forwarding the intentions of the convention in promoting the manufacture of ſalt, ſalt-petre, gunpowder, and fire-arms, requeſt any perſons who are inclined to engage on liberal encouragement in the manufacture of fire-arms, or to erect a powder-mill in the neighbourhood of Baltimore-town, where it will be moſt beneficial, or ſalt, or ſalt-petre works, that they will ſend their propoſals in writing to Gabriel Duvall, clerk of the council of ſafety, and they ſhall be attended to and ſpeedily anſwered. tf

Juſt publiſhed, and to be ſold at the Printing-Office,

THE
MARYLAND
ALMANACK
AND
EPHEMERIS
For the Year of our Lord 1776.

Annapolis Conſtitutional Poſt-Office.

December 5, 1775.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Northward and Southward mails arrive at this office every Friday at two o'clock, and return the ſame day at ſix; and on every Monday a rider leaves this town for Baltimore, and returns on Tueſday with the Northward mail.

The conſtitutional office having been inſtituted by the congreſs, for the ſecurity and ready conveyance of letters, and all kind of intelligence through this continent; and as the ſame has been attended with a great expence, it is not doubted that all well-wiſhers to the preſent laudable oppoſition in America, will promote the ſame, by ſending and procuring to be ſent, letters, packages, &c. to the conſtitutional poſt-office.

6 w WILLIAM WHETCROFT, Poſt-maſter.

Annapolis, Nov. 27, 1775.

ALL perſons indebted to the eſtate of John Carter, late of the city of Annapolis, deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy payment; and all perſons having any juſt claims againſt the ſaid eſtate, are deſired to make them known to JOHN STEELE, admr.

Annapolis, December 6, 1775.

WANTED to purchaſe for cash, or bills of exchange, ſome young able field negroes, boys and wenches, from 15 to 25 years of age, enquire of WILLIAM ROOKE.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of land containing 430 acres, ſituated upon Patuxent river, in Prince George's county, within four miles of Nottingham, and ſeven of Upper-Marlborough—150 acres whereof are in woods, 75 in a valuable marſh, and the whole under incloſure, a ſufficient quantity of low land may be made meadow—the buildings on this land are well finiſhed and in good repair—they conſiſt of a brick dwelling-houſe, 44 feet by 30, with four rooms and a paſſage below ſtairs, and as many above—a brick kitchen and other convenient houſes of wood—this tract is well watered and calculated for raiſing ſtock of every kind.

tf THOMAS SIM LEE.

To be ſold to the higheſt bidder, at the late dwelling-houſe of Ebenezer Edmonſton Orme, deceaſed, near Upper-Marlborough, on Tueſday the 12th day of December, 1775,

SUNDRY negroes and white ſervants, a waggon, ſundry horſes, and houſhold furniture of all ſorts, by THO. SNOWDEN, adminiſtrator.

N. B. The ſale will begin preciſely at 12 o'clock.

STRAYED or ſtolen from Annapolis, on the 24th of November, a bright bay horſe, about 14 hands and an inch high, paces, trots, and gallops, has a long mane, is ſhod before, and has a ſcar upon his back occaſioned by a ſet faſt. Whoever will deliver him to Mr. Garretſon, in Annapolis, or to the ſubſcriber, ſhall receive 20 ſhillings.

OVERTON CARR.

TAKEN up at the ſubſcriber's plantation near Mr. Tootell's, a black ſtray ſteer, with both his ears cut off, without any perceivable mark. The owner may have him again, on proving his property, and paying charges. 3w ELIE WALLETTE.

THE ſeveral creditors of Joſeph Hobberd, Andrew Hews, John Kidwell, Richard Flowdew, George Stevens, Caleb Sparks, jun. John Parker, and Douglas M'Clain, inſolvent debtors, releaſed from Queen-Anne's county jail, are deſired to meet at Queen's town in the county aforeſaid, on Monday the firſt day of January next, to conſult on certain liſts of debts and bonds, delivered into my hands, for the uſe of the ſaid creditors. w4

PHILEMON HAYNES, ſheriff.

November 28, 1775.

To be ſold by the ſubſcriber in Annapolis, between three and four hundred pounds coſt of goods, for coſt and charges.

IT is earneſtly requeſted of all perſons who have open accounts with me, that they will diſcharge the ſame, and if they cannot comply with this requeſt, I hope they will be ſo obliging as to ſettle them by note or bond, as many of them have been long ſtanding; it is hoped no perſon will refuſe to cloſe their accounts at this particular time, with their humble ſervant, THOMAS HYDE.

P. S. I have a large quantity of ready made coarſe ſhoes and leather for ſale, for ready money only.

To be ſold at public vendue, to the higheſt bidder, for current money, or good London bills of exchange, on Monday the 18th day of December next, on the premiſes,

ALL that tract or parcel of land called Cheney's purchaſe, lying in Anne-Arundel county, containing one hundred acres, together with the improvements thereon, late the property of Benjamin Welſh, deceaſed. Alſo to be ſold on Wedneſday the 20th of December next, in the ſame manner, on the premiſes; part of a tract of land called Welſh's Diſcovery, lying in Prince George's county, near Snowdens works; containing by eſtimation one hundred and ſixty acres with the improvements thereon, late the property of ſaid Benjamin Welſh. Theſe lands are ſold for the benefit of the creditors of Benjamin Welſh, in purſuance of the will of Thomas Rutland, by ts

LEONARD WAYMAN, executor.

Annapolis, Nov. 22, 1775.

STRAYED or ſtolen laſt night from the ſubſcriber, a ſmall black gelding, about 13 hands and an half high, about 12 or 13 years old, has a ſhort mane and tail, and a film over the right eye; his brand is unknown. Two dollars ſhall be paid to the perſon who will bring him to G. DUVALL.

WANTED TO PURCHASE,

A TRACT of good land, ſituated on Patowmack river—between George-town and Port-Tobacco, conſiſting of 500 to 1000 acres—healthy and having good ſpring water convenient. Any perſon having ſuch a tract to diſpoſe of may hear of a purchaſer, by applying to the printer, or Thomas Lendrum in Annapolis. 6w

Prince George's county, May 24, 1775.

NOTICE is hereby given to all perſons indebted to the ſubſcriber, either by bond, note, or open account, to immediately come and ſettle their reſpective debts, as I am determined to give no longer indulgences.—I hope this requiſition will be adverted to, otherwiſe I ſhall take compulſory methods to enforce payment, without any reſpect to perſons.

JOSEPH DUVALL.

STRAYED from Poplar-hill, the ſeat of Robert Darnall, Eſq; in Prince George's county, on the 10th of Auguſt, a dark cheſnut horſe, 9 years old, about 14 hands high; he is a ſtout boney horſe, has a blaze in his face, paces, trots, and gallops, and has a brand on his near buttock reſembling a T. Whoever will return him to Mr. Darnall, or the ſubſcriber in Annapolis, may receive a guinea reward.

JAMES MURRAY.

FULLING, &c.

THE fulling mill built by the ſubſcriber on Patuxent river, is now well fixt; any perſons at diſtance to apply, may depend on having the work of fulling, drying, ſhearing, and preſſing, done quick, and in the beſt and neateſt manner, by their humble ſervant,

HENRY GAITHER.

FIFTEEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away laſt night from the ſubſcribers, living in Baltimore county, Maryland, near Mr. Robert Cumming's mill, three convict ſervant men, viz. Thomas Akiſter, a Yorkſhireman, talks very broad, and ſlow ſpoken, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, pretty ſtout made, has a ſcar on his upper lip, and is pock-marked; took with him when he went away, an old felt hat, a ſmall ſwanſkin jacket with ſleeves, and a larger outſide ditto of brown fulled cloth, three oſnabrig ſhirts, two pair of old trouſers, one of roll the other oſnabrig, and a pair of old ſhoes with ſtrings.

Harper John Bumſtead, an Engliſhman, quick ſpoken, about 5 feet 11 inches high, a ſtout boney man, of a ſandy complexion, pock-marked, broad mouth, and thick lips; took with him when he went away, an old caſtor hat, old ſurtout coat and red jacket, two ſhirts, one of white linen, the other of brown, a pair of blue cloth breeches, ſeveral pair of old worſted ſtockings, a pair of old ſhoes with nails in the heels, and white metal pewter buckles.

Henry Cook, an Engliſhman, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, middling thin viſage, ſmooth face; took with him when he went away, an old felt hat tarred and bound round the edge, one check and one oſnabrig ſhirt, a Ruſſia linen frock much tarred, a pair of Ruſſia linen trouſers much tarred, a pair coarſe country linen ditto, and a pair of old ſhoes with large braſs buckles. It is ſuppoſed they took with them two ſtriped duffil blankets. It is probable they will change their cloaths, alter their names, and will forge paſſes, and may have gone off by water. Whoever takes up ſaid ſervants, and ſecures them ſo as their maſters may get them again, ſhall receive if taken up in this county 40 ſhillings for each, if taken out of the county, and in the province, three pounds for each, and if out of the province, the above reward, and reaſonable charges if brought home, paid by

BENJAMIN MERRYMAN,
JOHN ORRICK.

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

WENT away the firſt inſtant from the ſubſcriber, living near Lower-Marlborough, in Calvert county, an Engliſh ſervant man, named Daniel Slude, about 5 feet 8 inches high, well made, about 46 years of age, brown complexion, his hair very lately been cut off, and the back of his head ſore, his thumb and middle finger of his left hand freſh cut, has a ſore heel which occaſions him to limp at times, ſhews his teeth much when he talks, and has the North country dialect, by trade a ſawyer, though pretends to be a gardener and weaver; had on and took with him two oſnabrig or Ruſſia ſheeting ſhirts, two pair of oſnabrig trouſers, a pair of white ſerge breeches with metal buttons, a new grey fearnought jacket with black horn buttons, a ſwanſkin jacket with black buttons and bound with black ferret, an old caſtor hat, a pair of double ſoaled ſhoes double vamp'd—I underſtand he intends to change his name, and ſaid he never would own he was a ſervant, that he intended to travel of nights to make his eſcape more ſecure, and that he intended to Boſton to general Gage, who he underſtood would protect all ſervants who came to him. Whoever takes up ſaid ſervant and ſecures him, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have the above reward, including what the allows, and reaſonable charges if brought home, paid by tf WILLIAM ALLEIN.

April 10, 1775.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, living in Kent county, Maryland, the 8th of this inſtant, two Iriſh indented ſervants, each of which has about three years to ſerve, viz.

FRANCIS MANIS, about thirty years of age, a very ſtout well made fellow, about five feet ten inches high, very full faced, ſhort dark hair; had on and took with him, a good brown broad cloth coat, and black velvet jacket and breeches, and a pair of black everlaſting breeches, with yellow metal buttons, an old blue coat with new large ſleeves, ſhirts, ſhoes and ſtockings; his calling a ditcher or brickmaker.

JOHN DELANY, about 26 years of age, five feet eight inches high, well made, fair ſkin, ruddy complection, ſhort brown hair; had on and took with him, a green jacket made ſailor faſhion, a purple under jacket, a white ſhirt, one or two check ſhirts, much worn, a new felt hat, a black ſilk handkerchief round his neck, a pair of white kerſey breeches, and a pair of blue ſerge breeches, one pair of Scotch Kilmarnock, and one pair of Kendall ribbed hoſe mixed black and white, a pair of half worn ſhoes, and ſquare ſteel buckles, he writes a good hand; and they have both been in different parts of Pennſylvania. Whoever takes up the aforeſaid ſervants, and ſecures them ſo that the ſubſcriber may have them again, ſhall receive ten pounds reward, if taken out of the province, if in the province, ſix pounds, or half the above reward for either, by

RICHARD GRAVES.

To be ſold to the ſubſcribers, on Saturday the 6th day of January next, to the higheſt bidder, at the late dwelling-houſe of William Carr, near Herring creek church, for ſterling caſh, or current money, by virtue of a deed of truſt to me directed by ſaid Carr,

PART of a tract of land called Jervis, lying and being in Anne-Arundel county, ſaid to contain one hundred and eighteen acres of land, with a good dwelling houſe, and ſundry other convenient out-houſes; and at the ſame time and place will be ſold a likely country-born negro girl.

STEPHEN STEWARD.

Annapolis, November 16, 1775.

TO BE SOLD,

By THOMAS C. WILLIAMS and COMP.

At their ſtore on the Head of the Dock; an Aſſortment of dry Goods,

CONSISTING OF

SUPERFINE middling and coarſe cloths,
Sandcoarſe broad cloths,
Mill'd drabs for great coats,
Devonſhire twill'd kerſeys,
Fine and coarſe duffil frizes,
Bath coating and coarſe duffils,
Raboſ'd and plain flannels,
Striped linſeys,
Fine rattinets and halloons,
Durants and callimancoes,
Manchester velvets and velverets,
Cordroys, thickſets, fuſtians,
Silk and worſted breeches patt-ras,
A good aſſortment of mens, womens, and boys worſted hoſe,
Mens and boys coarſe yarn hoſe,
A large aſſortment of mens white and coloured ſilk hoſe,
Mens and womens ſilk gloves and mitts,
Yard wide Iriſh linens, from 2s 6d to 4s 6d,
A few pieces of cotton and calico bed furniture,
A few pieces of cotton chintzes,
Marſeilles quilting,
Quilted ſilk petticoats,
Bays,
Scarlet cloth cloaks,
Faſhionable ſilk cloaks,
Hats and bonnets,
Pink, blue and white ſattin peelongs,
Black and white ſattins,
Black alamorees,
Ell black and white dunicanes,
Flowered and tobin'd ditto,
Striped and plain lute ſtrings,
Ell Engliſh Perſians,
Silver table and tea-ſpoons,
Silver ſhoe and knee-buckles,
Plated pint and ½ pint muggs,
Harry 8th beſt cards,
Cotton candle wick,
Mens beſt ſhoes and boots,
Seine twine and jack lines,
Scotch and pearl barley,
Split peaſe in kegs,
Dutch ovens, iron pots,
Frying pans, ſpades and ſhovels,
Beſt Florence oil, by the caſe or bottle,
A few ſets blue and white, red and white, and enamell'd china,
An aſſortment of queens and glaſs ware,
A few caſks of glaſs, delf, and white ſtone ware, to be ſold by the caſk—many other articles too tedious to mention.

WET GOODS AS USUAL, viz.

Old Madeira wine by the quarter cask or gallon,
Red and white Liſbon wine in quarter caſks,
Sweet mountain and common wine by the gallon,
Beſt cane ſpirits, weſt India continent rum,
Melaſſes,
Double refined ſingle refined loaf-ſugar,
Muſcovado ſugar, &c. &c.

which they will ſell low, and for caſh only.

All perſons indebted to Tho. C. Williams and Co. are deſired to call and ſettle their accounts—thoſe that are able, it is expected will ſettle by paying their balance, and not take advantage of the times, by keeping us out of our money—thoſe that are really not able to pay, are deſired to call and ſettle their accounts, by giving bond and ſecurity, agreeable to the reſolves of the convention—all that do not comply with this requeſt in a reaſonable time, may depend on being dealt with agreeable to law, and the reſolves of the convention in ſuch caſes provided. w

NOTICE is hereby given, that the free-ſchool of Anne, Arundel county will be vacant after the firſt day of January, 1776. Any perſon willing to engage as maſter, who is qualified agreeable to the act of aſſembly, is deſired to make application to the viſitors. 4w

To be ſold to the higheſt bidder, on Saturday the 23d of December, at the houſe of Mr. John Bull, in Annapolis, (for ſterling money)

A VALUABLE plantation on the north ſide of Severn river, in Anne-Arundel county, containing by eſtimate 400 acres more or leſs, with ſome improvements; it lies about ſeven miles from the city of Annapolis, and now in the tenure and occupation of Mr. Jonathan Pinkney. Six months will be given for payment, on giving bond with good ſecurity, and paying lawful intereſt thereon. ts

THOMAS HARWOOD, jun.
JOHN BULLEN.

To be ſold on Tueſday the 19th day of December next, at 12 o'clock, near Mount Pleaſant, in Anne-Arundel county,

ABOUT five acres of land, with valuable improvements thereon; alſo a white ſervant man that has three years to ſerve, is by trade an excellent cabinet maker, with ſtock of almoſt every kind, and a conſiderable quantity of ready made tables, chairs, deſks, &c. and a compleat ſet of cabinet makers, and joiners tools, and a quantity of black walnut plank; likewiſe a parcel of valuable ſlaves, conſiſting of men, women and children, by

WILLIAM BELT,
ROBERT WHITAKER, } admrs.

N. B. All perſons having claims againſt the eſtate of Charles Belt, deceaſed, are deſired to bring them in, and thoſe indebted, are requeſted to make payment. w s

JUSTUS SEABERRI,

Peruke-maker, and gentlemen and ladies hair-dreſſer,

BEGS leave to inform thoſe gentlemen and ladies that pleaſe to honour him with their commands, that he has taken the houſe formerly poſſeſſed by Mr. John Hepburn, upon Cornhill, where he carries on his ſaid trade in all its various branches, viz. cutting of hair in the neateſt manner, and making perukes, ladies hair rolls, curls, &c. after the neweſt taſte, and in the genteeleſt faſhion; and as he has had many years experience both at Paris and London, he doubts not but to give full ſatisfaction to thoſe that pleaſe to employ him, and he hopes to meet with the favour and approbation of the public, as he is determined to execute all orders in the neateſt manner, upon the moſt reaſonable terms, and with the ſtricteſt punctuality. tf

Annapolis, November 16, 1775.

OUR partnership being expired, all persons indebted to us, are requested to settle as soon as they possibly can—those who have accounts against us, are desired to bring them in immediately.

KENNEDY and WALLACE.

I intend to leave this place soon.

MICHAEL WALLACE.

Queen-Tree, Patuxent, Nov. 4, 1775.

To be sold by the subscriber,

AN indented servant man about 29 years of age who has three years and seven months to serve; he has always served in genteel families in England, in quality of a footman and groom, in which offices he is perfectly capable of discharging every part of his duty, such as hair-dressing, shaving, setting a table, waiting, &c. He is an extraordinary good jockey, not only with respect to the riding part, but also as to the management of horses; he brought in an exceeding good character with him.

Also an indented servant woman, wife to the above man, of the same age, and has the same time to serve; an exceeding good cook and chambermaid, and has always served good families in England in both those departments. She is a very good pastry-cook, and is extraordinary well versed in that part of a confectioner's business, which relates to pickling and conserving.

JOHN LUCAS.

N. B. They have been married eleven years, it is four years since they have had any children, and have none with them. 4 w

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July 28, 1775.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, living near the Northampton iron-works, Baltimore county, Maryland, a convict servant man, an Englishman, named Thomas Hardy, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, gray eyes, short gray hair, about 50 years old, limps in his walk; he has a small hole in one of his lips, lost most of his teeth, talks in the north country dialect: had on and took with him, a white country cloth jacket, country tow linen trousers, good English shoes, two osnabrig shirts, old felt hat; he may have other clothes. Whoever takes up the said servant and secures him, so as his master gets him again, shall have 20 shillings if 10 miles from home, 30 shillings if 20 miles, 40 shillings if 30 miles, 3 pounds if 50 miles, and the above reward if one hundred miles from home, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by,

JOHN ROBERT HOLLIDAY.

Annapolis, November 3, 1775.

STOLEN in the night of the 25th of October last, from on board a small schooner boat, lying in the harbour of Poplar Island, the main and fore-sail of the said boat. The height of the main sail is about 27 feet, and has been much mended; almost a whole breadth taken out of the after part, has been middle stitched through every seam, and has a patch of canvas in the after clew; the fore-sail also, has been much mended, particularly herring-boned, which is faced with a new piece of osnabrig from the clew up to the gaff. Whoever will bring them to, or give sufficient information of them, so that they may be obtained by the subscriber, at his house in Annapolis, may receive 6 dollars reward, and 6 dollars over and above, upon the conviction of the person or persons who stole the said sails. tf

CHARLES CARROLL, of Carrollton.

Lower-Marlborough, October 31, 1775.

TO THE PUBLIC,

BE it known, that the subscribers to the Lower-Marlborough academy, having met on the 31st day of October, chose by ballot the following gentlemen trustees: The rev. Thomas J. Claggett, rev. Edward Gantt, Dr. Edward Johnson, Dr. James Bate, Dr. John H. Smith, Dr. James Gray, col. Joseph Sim, and Messrs. Charles Grahame, Benjamin Mackall, Edward Gantt, Samuel Chew, Edward Reynolds, Thomas Holland, Patrick S. Smith, Thomas Gantt, jun. William Allein, James Heighe, Alexander H. Magruder, Stephen B. Balch, John Rogers, and Walter Smith, are desired to meet at said academy on Friday the 24th of this instant.

The public is also informed, that young gentlemen are taught the Latin and Greek languages in the most approved method, and geography, rhetoric, the mathematicks, natural and moral philosophy, astronomy, chronology and criticism, in this academy, at five pounds currency per annum, by

STEPHEN B. BALCH, A. B.
THOMAS SPROTT, A. B.

N. B. Convenient board may be had for 15 pounds currency per annum.

SIX POUNDS REWARD.

STOLEN away from the subscriber, on Tuesday night the 10th instant, a dark bay or brown horse, 10 or 11 years old last spring, upwards of 14 hands high, his hind feet white, and has a few gray hairs in his forehead, paces, trots and gallops, and when rode goes with pretty good spirits, has a hanging main, little foretop, yellow nose, and short back; his tail when trimmed, which was very lately, was intended for a switch, but by the unskilfulness of the person who did it, it was made almost as short as a long bob, the hoofs of his fore-feet were broken on the inside, and he had on a pair of shoes about half worn, but if he has been much rode, it is very probable that one or both may be off by this time. Whoever takes up both thief and horse, so that the thief be convicted, and the horse delivered to me at the Patuxent iron-works, shall receive the above reward, or 20 shillings for the horse only, but if the horse should be a great distance, reasonable charges will be allowed if brought home, paid by JAMES RAWLINGS.

Annapolis, Nov. 5, 1775.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, the two following servants, viz. William Webster, an Englishman, a hatter by trade, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, 23 years of age, long dark brown hair, tied behind, turned up before, and curled at the ears, thin faced, thick lips, and [illegible] parrot-toed; is a forward talkative fellow, [illegible] very complaisant when he pleases. Had on and took with him, a light blue gray cloth coat and waistcoat, the coat has been turned, one red cloth waistcoat, one pair white Russia drab breeches, one white linen shirt, two brown Russia sheeting ditto. It is probable he has other cloaths, or may have changed those described.

Charles Tippin, or Tippins, by trade a gardener, and can work a little at the carpenter's business, about 5 feet 6 inches high, remarkably thick set, full face, short brown hair. Had on and took with him, a short brown working coat with metal buttons, a blue cloth jacket with sleeves and metal buttons, good buckskin breeches, one pair white Russia drab ditto, one white shirt, two brown Russia sheeting, ditto, and may have sundry other cloaths.

The above servants went off in a two mast boat, and four oars, in company with some others. They took a pair of osnabrig sheets, which it is supposed they intend to make sails of. Whoever will secure the above servants so that their master may get them again, shall receive 20 shillings for each if 40 miles, 40 shillings for each if 100 miles, or if out of the province £5 for each, and if brought home, reasonable charges, paid by tf WILLIAM REYNOLDS.

N. B. Webster had on a good castor hat fan-tailed, cocked in the military fashion, lined with new white linen, plain pinchbeck knee and shoe-buckles; they took with them a large black dog with white feet and breast, remarkably fat.

Chester-town, Maryland, October 26, 1775.

WAS committed to the jail of Kent county, in the province of Maryland, on the 3d day of this present month, three white servant men, who say they belong to Mr. James Kelsoe, at Patapsco ferry, in Anne-Arundel county. One of them calls his name Timothy Donoland, and says he is from Ireland, about 19 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, slender made. One other calls his name Patrick Hurley, and says he is from Ireland, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high. The other calls his name Samuel Still, and says he is from England, upwards of 30 years of age, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high. They say they came off in a yaul, in which they crossed Chesapeake Bay, and landed near Worton Point, in the county where they are now confined.

Was also committed to the jail of the same county, on the 31st day of August last, a negro man who calls his name Will, and says he belongs to Mr. John Veale, of Chester county, province of Pennsylvania: he is a well set fellow, little more than 20 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high; his cloathing was an osnabrig shirt and trousers, and a new felt hat. The master or masters, of the before-mentioned servants and slave, are desired to pay their fees and take them away. 4 w

EZEKIEL FORMAN, sheriff.

Annapolis, October 23, 1775.

TWENTY SHILLINGS REWARD.

TAKEN away, or borrowed from off the paling at the bottom of the governor's garden, on Monday night last, or early on Tuesday morning, an old seine net, about thirty fathom long, which had been left hanging there for some days by the servants and negroes, to whom it had been lent, who are responsible for it. The above seine is well known to most of the fishermen about Annapolis, and elsewhere, is remarkable in being made of very strong double twine, now much worn, and mended in many places, and has had a cod added sometime ago made with different twine. If any person will give information thereof to Mr. Smith, at the governor's, so that it may be had again, shall have the above reward.

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

SOME evil disposed person on Tuesday night last, broke open the governor's stable in the folly, and let out his gray stallion; which might, though fortunately was not, have been attended with great loss, and that to him.—Any person discovering the perpetrator thereof, so that he may be convicted, shall receive three pounds—and notice is hereby given, that care may be taken in future, as any further attempts of this sort, will perhaps be attended with disagreeable consequences.

R. SMITH.

Calvert county, October 24, 1775.

RAN away from the subscriber, the 20th instant, a negro man, named Leven, about 26 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, his head has lately been shaved on the top: had on and took with him, a gray half-thick coat lined with osnabrigs, with metal buttons, a white country cloth ditto without buttons, country cloth breeches, and a pair of tolerable good shoes and stockings. I will give one guinea for apprehending and securing him in any jail.

W. SMITH.

TO be let for reasonable terms, a good stone dwelling-house, either fit for a [illegible] family, or also fitted for a store-house, counters and shelves, and every thing fitted for either private life, or business; the said house is 32 by 24, two pair of stairs, three rooms below stairs and two fire places, two rooms above stairs, as also a good cellar: the above house stands on the great road near Simpson's tavern, from Frederick-town to Annapolis, as also a good stable 14 by 12, good pasture under a good fence. To be let by Thomas Bissett, in Anne-Arundel county, living near William Hobbes, on the great road to Frederick-town. w 2

Baltimore county, Patapsco Neck, April 5, 1775.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

For apprehending a Runaway.

JAMES, a mulatto [illegible], sometimes known by the name of Vulcan [illegible] commonly answers to the name of Black, took [illegible] leave of his overseer last Wednesday, and [illegible] not yet returned; he is a dark mulatto, about 5 feet 9 inches high, strong made, sensible, artful, and deceptive in conversation, bold and daring in his efforts to perpetrate villainy, of mild temper, and plausible in speech: he has frequently travelled through a considerable part of this and some part of the province of Pennsylvania; it is well known, it is supposed, in the borough and county of Lancaster, and is acquainted with Philadelphia, may probably therefore re-visit those places. His working cloaths were a home manufactured long cloth waistcoat with sleeves, and breeches, yarn stockings, osnabrig shirt, and good shoes, nailed with hobs; he is possessed of and has taken with him a blue German serge coat, a green broad cloth vest, two pair of cotton and one pair of thread stockings, two white shirts ruffled at the breast, a good castor hat with band and buckle, a pair of good pumps, with a pair of double rimmed silver buckles. He has a mark of distinction, which from modesty, or some other motive, he is careful to conceal; one of his ears (but which is forgot) is remarkably less than the other. The above reward will be paid if he should be taken up out of the province, or 60 miles from Baltimore town in the province, and brought home; five pounds if at the distance of 40 miles, three pounds if [illegible] forty shillings if 20 miles, with reasonable [illegible] expences, including the legal charge under the act of assembly, by tf THOMAS JONES.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in the lower part of Prince George's county, on the 11th day of July last, a negro man named Ireland, born in the West-Indies, about 5 feet [illegible] or 9 inches high, slender made, one of the fore teeth in his upper jaw beat out about 18 months ago, and now in the same place another one growing, on the right side of his neck and immediately under his jaw, there is some scars which he said was occasioned by some distemper he had in that part, has had the small pox and a little pitted, a mild fair spoken man, not impertinent, but very drunken; had on and took away with him, an old kendal cotton jacket, one pair of petticoat trousers of rolls, one pair of old white fustian breeches, one new shirt of rolls, one old white shirt, and one Monmouth cap. Whoever secures the said negro, so that I can get him again, shall receive 20 shillings more than what is allowed by law.

All masters of ships, and other vessels, are forbid taking him off at their peril.

JOHN BAPTIST BOSWELL.

Annapolis, August 23, 1775.

WANTED immediately, a number of hands who are acquainted in the different branches of the manufacture of fire arms—good wages and encouragement will be given to such as have been used to work in any branch, according to their proficiency and industry, either by the piece or time.—As good lock-smiths, or other neat filers, will be soon handy in making several parts of gun locks, to such also I will give good encouragement. There are many servants about the country who [illegible] be very useful in the necessary business I am now engaging in; I should be glad to be informed of such, and with to hire them, or purchase their times of service of their masters.

ISAAC HARRIS.

N. B. I want to hire a good file-cutter.

STRAYED about three weeks ago from the subscriber, a large red cow, about 8 years old, she was lately purchased from a person who brought her from the back woods, where it is supposed she will endeavour to make; she has a white streak from the ridge of her back to her tail, and some white in her face—I will give 20 shillings currency to any person that will deliver her in Annapolis.

J. CLAPHAM.

THE partnership of James Dick and Stewart being expired, all persons indebted to them, are requested to make what payments they possibly can. Persons indebted by open account, and who cannot conveniently [illegible], are desired to settle by granting their [illegible] notes for their several balances; such a reasonable request, it is hoped will be complied with, that the subscribers may not be under the disagreeable necessity of making application to have suits brought. Constant attendance will be given at the store, by James Dick and Stewart.

The goods remaining in the late store of James Dick, and Stewart, will be sold on reasonable terms, wholesale or retail by the subscribers. Also all sorts of cordage manufactured at Newington rope walk, likewise Madeira wine, by the pipe, hhd. or quarter cask.

JAMES DICK.

THE subscriber proposes to remove with his family some time in the [illegible] December, from the plantation he now lives on in Calvert county, on Battle creek; requests all persons who have any claims against him in the aforesaid county, to bring them in, that they may be adjusted and paid; and all persons who are indebted to me, on bond, note, or open account, for dealings, since my residence here, are requested to settle their respective balances as soon as possible. I have for sale, a parcel of cattle, consisting of cows and calves, heifers, steers and yearlings, also some horses, mares, colts, and some sheep and hogs, a seine and ropes, a large canoe, and a fine well built boat, about 16 feet in the keel, all which articles I will dispose of on every reasonable terms, for cash, and may be treated with at any time for the same, between this and the last of December next.

4 w GEORGE WHEELE

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